

Grade 3 ELA Sample SR Item Form

ELA.03.SR.01.01.011

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Sample Item ID:	ELA.03.SR.01.011
Grade/Model:	03/2b
Claim:	1: Students can read closely and analytically to
	comprehend a range of increasingly complex literary and
	informational texts.
Assessment Target:	1: Key Details: Use explicit details and information from
	the text to support answers or basic inferences.
Secondary Targets:	n/a
Standard(s):	RL-1, RL-3
DOK:	2
Difficulty:	M
Item Type:	Selected Response
Score Points:	1
Key:	D
Stimulus/Passage(s):	"The Old Lion and the Fox"
Stimuli/Text	Word Count: 189
Complexity:	Flesch-Kincaid: 3.5
	Lexile: 630L, grade 2-3
	The quantitative measures place this passage at grade 3.
	A qualitative analysis shows the text to be slightly
	complex with a story that is easy to follow. This passage
	is suitable for assessment use at grade 3.
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Item/Task Notes:	
How this task	To successfully complete the item, students must infer
contributes to the	how the character's actions help develop the plot.
sufficient evidence	
for this claim:	
Target-Specific	Adapted presentation of stimulus text is needed for
Attributes (e.g.,	students with visual impairment.
accessibility issues):	



Stimulus Text:

Read the passage and answer the question that follows it.

The Old Lion and the Fox

An old Lion had teeth and claws that were worn. So it was not so easy for him to get food as in his younger days. He pretended that he was sick. He took care to let all his neighbors know about it. He then lay down in his cave to wait for visitors. And when they came to offer him their sympathy, he ate them up one by one.

The Fox came too, but he was very cautious about it. He stood at a safe distance from the cave. He asked politely about the Lion's health. The Lion replied that he was very ill indeed. He asked the Fox to step in for a moment. But Master Fox very wisely stayed outside, and thanked the Lion very kindly for the invitation.

"I should be glad to do as you ask," he added. "But I have noticed that there are many footprints leading in. There are no footprints coming out of your cave. Tell me how your visitors find their way out again."

Item Stem:

Which sentence from the story tells Fox that Lion wants to hurt him?

Options:

- A. An old lion had teeth and claws that were worn.
- B. He then lay down in his cave to wait for visitors.
- C. But Master Fox very wisely stayed outside, and thanked the Lion very kindly for the invitation.



D. There are no footprints coming out of your cave.

Distractor Analysis:

- A. INCORRECT: This sentence from the story is a detail about the lion, but it does not imply bad intent.
- B. INCORRECT: This sentence from the story is a detail about what the lion did, but it does not imply bad intent about the lion.
- C. INCORRECT: This sentence from the story is a detail about what the fox did, but it does not give information that explains how the fox knew the lion's bad intent.
- D. CORRECT: This sentence from the story is the detail that the fox used to explain how he knew the lion wanted to hurt him.